

But I cannot conclude, even in this brief acknowledgement, without saying for your National Convention at Philadelphia, that its declaration of principles, concerning slavery, as it exists among us, and all the cognate topics, which now most concern us, and distract the public mind, contain the only true constitutional and safe method of settling, on a permanent, national basis, all the disturbing questions, arising or that can arise, out of the whole subject.

I am, gentlemen, with great respect,  
Your ob't servant,  
William A. Graham.

*From J. W. Hicks.*

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Rome, Ga.,

Oct. 19th., 1855.

There are several gentlemen living in this City who have lately moved from N. Carolina and who have heretofore looked to you, the Hon. Geo. E. Badger, the Hon. W. P. Mangum, as the Great Expounders of their political faith, and as they have seen nothing from you with the American Party or their principles as laid down in their Platform as adopted in Philadelphia last June. I have been requested by them to write you, and request you to state whether you adopt those principles or not.

We will not trouble you to write us a long letter, but simply state whether [you] stand [on] their platform or not, for we are aware that your time is very much occupied.

Please reply at your earliest opportunity.

*From William E. Robinson.*

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New York,

Oct. 20th., 1855.

It is contemplated to have a course of lectures this winter, in this City, in the Broadway Tabernacle, on matters connected with Irish Colonists and their achievements, by distinguished lecturers of Irish birth, or descent. There is no prouder history in our Country than that of the Irish Settlers in North Carolina, and none of their descendants living so capable of illustrating it.